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FOR LOUGHRAN FROM AMBASSADOR

E. O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJ: SHIP VISIT: REQUEST FOR ALUSNA ATTENDANCE

REF: A. EFTO 016 2 MAY 75 DTG 020845Z MAY 75

B. CONF 7625 DTG 212210Z APRIL 75

1. REF A ADVISES THAT COMMANDER JAMES CRUMMER, WHO ACCREDITED THIS POST AS ALUSNA, UNABLE BE PRESENT HERE MAY 5-8 ON OCCASION OF VISIT OF TWO UNITS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVY, FOR THE REASON THAT "NO TDY FUNDS AVAILABLE."

2. LAST CALL BY NAVY UNIT WAS OCTOBER 1972, AND THEN ALUSNA WAS PRESENT. MOREOVER, WE UNDERSTOOD FROM EARLIER MESSAGE (REF B) THAT ALUSNA WOULD BE ABLE TO BE HERE FOR THIS VISIT.

3. COMMANDER CRUMMER HAS NOT VISITED ACCRA SINCE HIS INITIAL CALL OCTOBER 1974. THERE IS A SERIOUS QUESTION HERE AS TO THE UTILITY OF HAVING A NAVAL ATTACHE ASSIGNED TO THIS POST, IF HE IS UNABLE TO ATTEND THE FIRST EXCLUSIVELY NAVAL FUNCTION HERE IN TWO AND HALF YEARS FOR THE STATED REASON.

4. I WOULD APPRECIATE THE DEPT'S TAKING THIS MATTER UP AS A MATTER OF URGENCY WITH DOD/DIA AT THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL, WITH A VIEW TO ASSURING THAT CRUMMER BE PROVIDED NECESSARY TRAVEL FUNDS TO PERMIT HIS ARRIVAL ACCRA ON OR BEFORE MAY 5.
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